



Welcome to
LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH
AND SCHOOL

(Grades K-8)

Church of the Lutheran Confession
134 21st Street, Fond du Lac, WI 54935
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10:00 am Service
Pastor Dave Naumann
Teacher Amy Osborne

Sunday School and Bible Class at 9:00 am
Principal Dave Bernthal
Teacher Anita Meyer

1ST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

APRIL 11, 2010

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 116 front of hymnal p. 148
The Hymns: 196, 732, 208, 187

Prayer We pray to You, merciful God in heaven, give us faith, the true and living faith, which trusts in You and in Your Son Jesus, the Risen Christ, that we might have life through Him; then shall our souls be fortified with peace and courage in life and in death. Hear us for the sake of our Risen Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Bells – Opening Prayer

First Hymn 196

THE INVOCATION

*We invoke (“call upon”) the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
(Hymnal, page 5 – Congregation Stands)*

PASTOR In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

CONGR. (sing) Amen.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SINS

We come before our Holy God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.

PASTOR Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

CONGR. (sing) Who made heaven and earth.

PASTOR I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

CONGR. (sing) And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

PASTOR Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

ALL O most merciful God, who has given Thine only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PASTOR Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in His name He gives power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

CONGR. (sing) Amen. *(congregation is seated)*

THE INTROIT

Having received the Lord's forgiveness, we are glad to enter into His courts with praise and thanksgiving. This entrance is made in the Introit with the Lord's own Word, often from the Psalms.

P: As newborn babes:

C: Desire the sincere milk of the Word.

P: Hear, O My people, and I will testify to You:

C: O Israel, if you will but listen to Me.

P: Sing aloud unto God, our Strength:

C: Make a joyful noise to the God of Jacob.

THE GLORIA PATRI

Latin for "Glory to the Father" (Hymnal, page 6)

CONGR. (sing) Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE KYRIE

Latin for "O Lord." We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our earthly life. (Hymnal page 7 - sing)

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

"Glory to God in the highest" (Hymnal page 7 - sing)

Glory be to God on high: And on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord the only

begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world. Receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE SALUTATION *(Greeting)*

PASTOR The Lord be with you.

CONGR. (sing) And with thy spirit.

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

The main thoughts for the day are "collected" together in this prayer.

PASTOR Let us pray.

CONGR. (sing) Amen.

THE BIBLE LESSONS

God speaks to us.

First Bible Reading:

Acts 8:26-40 Now an angel of the Lord spoke to Philip, saying, "Arise and go toward the south along the road which goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is desert. 27 So he arose and went. And behold, a man of Ethiopia, a eunuch of great authority under Candace the queen of the Ethiopians, who had charge of all her treasury, and had come to Jerusalem to worship, 28 was returning. And sitting in his chariot, he was reading Isaiah the prophet. 29 Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go near and overtake this chariot." 30 So Philip ran to him, and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah, and said, "Do you understand what you are reading?" 31 And he said, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he asked Philip to come up and sit with him. 32 The place in the Scripture which he read was this: "He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; And as a lamb before its shearer is silent, So He opened not His mouth. 33 In His humiliation His justice was taken away, And who will declare His generation? For His life is taken from the earth." 34 So the eunuch answered Philip and said, "I ask you, of whom does the prophet say this, of himself or of some other man?" 35 Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning at this Scripture, preached Jesus to him. 36 Now as they went down the road, they came to some water. And the eunuch said, "See, here is water. What hinders me from being baptized?" 37

Then Philip said, "If you believe with all your heart, you may." And he answered and said, "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God." 38 So he commanded the chariot to stand still. And both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water, and he baptized him. 39 Now when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught Philip away, so that the eunuch saw him no more; and he went on his way rejoicing. 40 But Philip was found at Azotus. And passing through, he preached in all the cities till he came to Caesarea.

PASTOR Here ends the First Bible Reading. We continue with the responsive reading of:

THE GRADUAL

The Gradual is a "Bridge of praise" that links the Old Testament with the New Testament.

P: Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

C: Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us.

P: The angel of the Lord descended from heaven:

C: And came and rolled back the stone from the door and sat upon it. Hallelujah!

P: Remember how He spoke to you, Hallelujah!

C: The Son of Man must be crucified and the third day rise again. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

CONGR. (sing) *Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!*

PASTOR The 2nd Bible Reading is from Revelation chapter 1, beginning there in the 9th verse.

CONGR. (sing) *Glory be to Thee, O Lord!*

New Testament Reading:

Revelation 1:9-19 I, John, both your brother and companion in the tribulation and kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was on the island that is called Patmos for the word of God and for the testimony of Jesus Christ. 10 I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day, and I heard behind me a loud voice, as of a trumpet, 11 saying, "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last," and, "What you see, write in a book and send it to the seven churches which are in Asia: to Ephesus, to Smyrna, to Pergamos, to Thyatira, to Sardis, to Philadelphia, and to Laodicea." 12 Then I turned to see the voice that spoke with me. And having turned I saw seven golden lampstands, 13 and in the midst of the seven lampstands One like the Son of Man, clothed with a garment down to the

feet and girded about the chest with a golden band. 14 His head and hair were white like wool, as white as snow, and His eyes like a flame of fire; 15 His feet were like fine brass, as if refined in a furnace, and His voice as the sound of many waters; 16 He had in His right hand seven stars, out of His mouth went a sharp two-edged sword, and His countenance was like the sun shining in its strength. 17 And when I saw Him, I fell at His feet as dead. But He laid His right hand on me, saying to me, "Do not be afraid; I am the First and the Last. 18 "I am He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen. And I have the keys of Hades and of Death. 19 "Write the things which you have seen, and the things which are, and the things which will take place after this.

PASTOR Here ends the New Testament Reading.

CONGR. (sing) *Praise be to Thee, O Christ!*

Congregation stands for:

THE APOSTLES' CREED

We boldly confess what we believe. (Hymnal, page 12)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.

Second Hymn 732

THE SERMON

John 20:19-31 Then, the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, "Peace be with you." 20 When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then

the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. 21 So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." 22 And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 "If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." 24 Now Thomas, called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 25 The other disciples therefore said to him, "We have seen the Lord." So he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe." 26 And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, "Peace to you!" 27 Then He said to Thomas, "Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand here, and put it into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing." 28 And Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!" 29 Jesus said to him, "Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." 30 And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; 31 but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

Theme: "RECEIVE POWER FROM THE RISEN CHRIST"

- I. Power to forgive and retain sins (19-23)
- II. Power to believe and confess Him (24-29)
- III. Power to live now and forever (30-31)

THE OFFERTORY

*In this prayer we OFFER God our hearts, asking Him for that best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit.
(Hymnal, pages 12-13) (sing)*

**Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence
And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation
And uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

THE OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS

In tangible evidence of our gratitude, we offer the Lord the gift of our money, remembering that He has first given to us that we might have to give to Him. While the ushers present our offerings at the Lord's Altar, we stand and sing the offering hymn 207:1:

**Like the golden sun ascending, Breaking through the gloom of night,
On the earth his glory spending So that darkness takes to flight,
Thus my Jesus from the grave And Death's dismal, dreadful cave
Rose triumphant Easter morning At the early purple dawning.**

THE GENERAL PRAYER - (Pastor)

THE LORD'S PRAYER - (All)

Our Father Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever, Amen.

Congregation sings Hymn 208

Congregation stands for:

THE BENEDICTION

The blessing given by God for the blessing of His people (Numbers 6:24-26).

PASTOR:

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

CONGR. (sing) Amen, Amen, Amen.

The Closing Hymn (standing) 187

*** Silent Prayer ***

Verbal Announcements -- Ushers dismiss by row

Announcements

"If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15

IN THE HOSPITAL – IN OUR PRAYERS Elmer Goldapske suffered a pair of strokes last Wednesday at his home in Crivitz, WI. He is currently at the Bay Area Medical Center in Marinette, WI. His wife Billy Jean as well as daughter Gail High and many other family members have been with him. His recovery so far is excellent and we ask the Almighty to make it complete if it is His will.

Deuteronomy 33:12 "Let the beloved of the LORD rest secure in Him, for He shields him all day long, and the one the LORD loves rests between His shoulders."

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

TUE: 6:30 pm Church Council Meeting

WED: Kindergarten Roundup – LM School Open House

TV CHURCH – Today's Service replayed on Cable TV Channel 21
Tuesday at noon and Wednesday at 4:00 pm.

KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP/OPEN HOUSE FOR GRADES 1-8

This Wednesday! Kindergarten Round Up will be held in the morning 8:00 am to 10:45 am. The pre-schoolers will be able to sit in on a couple of classes with the Kindergarteners and see what next year will be like. This year's theme is "Bugs!" The children will enjoy many activities including a ladybug counting worksheet, a hidden alphabet game, butterfly and bumblebee craft projects, and more! Parents be sure to pack a snack for your child. If you know anyone who is interested in sending their child to our school, please give this information to them as well as Amy Osborne, Luther Memorial K-2 teacher. 906-3659.

OPEN HOUSE FOR GRADES FIRST THROUGH EIGHTH Anyone who is interested in sending their child to Luther memorial will have a chance to visit the school while classes are in session. This is a great chance to experience what a school day would be like. The hours for the open house will be from 8:00 am to noon. Any questions may be directed to Principal Dave Bernthal at 922-7421.

QUARTERLY VOTERS' MEETING Tuesday April 20, 6:30 pm.

SPRING MISSION FESTIVAL Sunday April 25th. Please give the envelope sent by the Mission Committee your loving attention.

75ER'S SPRING BANQUET Friday May 7, at 1:30 pm. Hosted by Jodimae Seibel, this year's theme is "Baseball." Sure to be a hit!

CREATION SUNDAY May 2nd. A service of thanks and praise to our Creator expounding His great love and the wonders of His creating hand. The children will be singing two songs for this service.

SUNDAY MAY 16TH Is the date scheduled to celebrate our Synod's 50th Anniversary. This celebration of 50 years of the LORD's love and grace toward the CLC – the Church of the Lutheran Confession will be marked with special liturgy and song. Mark the day!

50TH ANNIVERSARY We are thankful to the LORD for giving us a wonderful celebration of our anniversary last March 21. In the hallway today you may still view the scrapbooks as well as a computer display of some pictures taken of the day. Also, there are plenty of commemorative LM coffee mugs and ornaments still available. DVD's of the morning service, afternoon program, and the video presentation are available for check-out from the church library in the hallway. Copies are available upon request to the Pastor.

BASEBALL OUTING The Luther Memorial Young Adults have changed the date for a trip to Appleton to see a Timber Rattlers baseball game – the new date is May 15. Those who previously signed up will need to reconsider... A pre-game tailgate cookout is still planned. After the game Craig Youngerberg has invited everyone to His house for dessert and refreshments. A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board this morning with all the info and details. This invitation is for EVERYONE! Not just the young adults. Play ball!

TWO DELEGATES NEEDED Two voting age men of the congregation are needed to represent Luther Memorial Church at the Great Lakes Delegate Conference at Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church, Coloma, Michigan. Time: 10:00 a.m. Monday, June 7, through Noon Tuesday, June 8. Two voting age men are also needed to attend the 29th General Convention of the CLC in Eau Claire, WI June 21-25. Please speak to the Pastor if you would like to be considered for this important work of the LORD's Kingdom.

CHURCH CLEANING We're still looking for a couple volunteers to help clean the church sanctuary on a monthly basis. The months of July, August, September December still need to be filled. If you can help, take a look at the sign-up sheet or call Wayne Wischnefski, Chairman of Buildings and Grounds – 921-2113.

TOUR CHOIR CD – “TIDINGS” Earlier this month a new CD of choral music was released. This recording features the Tour Choirs of 2006-2009. The choral selections reflect various seasons in the church year. Some of the pieces which present themes of Holy Week are "God So Loved the World," "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded," "Christ Atoned for our Transgressions," "O Crucified Messiah," "He Is Living," "Today is Risen Christ the Lord," "Alleluia! Christ Has Destroyed Death." The price is \$14/single or 2/\$25. There are still a few copies left in the hallway. Additional copies may be ordered.

OUT OF NECESSITY: A History Of the CLC This book written by Rev. David Lau for the 50th Anniversary of our Lutheran Synod, the Church of the Lutheran Confession – CLC, is now available in the hallway. If you signed up for a copy, please cross off your name and place payment in the envelope provided. We also have extra copies available for anyone who would like them at \$24.95 each. Please make checks payable to Luther Memorial Church. The Pastor recommends at least one for every home. A great gift for your children!

INDIA FLOOD RELIEF Pastor Jyothi Benjamin, of the CLC-India, recently submitted a lengthy report and a number of pictures of the third and final phase of the flood relief. The three phases of relief were made possible as God's grace moved the hearts of CLC and CLCI members to work together in providing the much needed and greatly appreciated relief. You can find excerpts of Pastor Jyothi's report and few of the pictures at: <http://lutheranmissions.org/> In Christ, Pastor Todd Ohlmann

2010 ARISE AND SHINE RETREAT The 8th annual retreat to strengthen and encourage Christians in their 20's and 30's is scheduled for July 8-10 near St. Louis Missouri. For info and registration: <http://www.ariseandshineretreat.com/> Or contact Pastor Todd Ohlmann tohlmann@swbell.net or Alana Ahrens alanaahrens@yahoo.com

CLC NEWS >> The Rev. Frank Gantt, Lemmon SD, has the call to St. John's Lutheran/Peace Lutheran, Clarkston WA/Orofino, ID. >> Grace Lutheran, Fridley MN, has called Sara Pfeiffer, Mountain View CA, to be teacher and principal at its school.

CLIMB THE SIGN Progress of our LM Sign Fund is posted on the bulletin board in the form of a staircase. The Voters decided to get 90% funding before beginning. The total project cost is \$15,000. 90% is \$13,500. Currently \$11,700 has been given in cash and pledges. We need just under \$2,000 to begin the project. Together, let's keep climbing!!

SERVICE TODAY Usher Team 3 Gordon Krause, Reuel Dins, John Herzberg, Tim Johannes, Steve Seibel. Organist Adrienne Fillmore
NEXT SUNDAY Usher Team 4 Wayne Wischnefski, Alan Kottke, Ron Haensgen, Mark King, Joel Delarme. Organist Rhoda Eserhut

LAST WEEK FOR THE LORD Attendance: MT – 87; GF – 139; Sun - 201
(This is an unofficial summary. For the official summary, speak to the Financial Secretary)

Budgetary	weekly (needed)	for the fiscal year	
Received	\$9,274 (\$4,442)		\$58,171
Non-budgetary			
Maintenance & Improvement	\$276	balance	\$1,964
Debt Retirement Fund	\$0	balance	\$2,688
LM Building Fund	\$70	mortgage	\$21,387
50 th Anniversary Sign Fund	\$140	balance	\$8,979
2009 Deficit Fund	\$70	(to date \$6,674; needed \$32,000)	
Missions (CLC fiscal year is July 1 to June 30)			
Budgetary	weekly	year to date	
Received	\$698	\$39,664	
Non-budgetary			
ILC Building Fund	\$100		
Pastor Steve Karp Fund	\$70		
Luther Memorial School	\$10		

MEMORY VERSE

“ These are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.”

John 20:31